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IN RE APPLICATION OF : Frederic Lagace, et al.
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO
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Dear Sir:


In response to the Office Action mailed July 13, 2004 requiring an election of a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits, Applicants elect, without traverse, Species 1, shown in Figure 25, claims 25-50. Further, applicants elect, the subspecies of claim 38 with respect to further prosecution on the merits.

Applicants' election is made without traverse and without prejudice to applicants' right to consideration of claims to additional species which are written in dependent form to pursue protection for the claims of Species 1. As noted by the

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Examiner, upon the allowance of the generic claim, applicant will be entitled to consideration of these claims as provided by 37 C.F.R. § 1.141.

Further, amendment to the specification is made starting on page 3 of this paper.